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TO: File

THRU: Paul B. Baker 

FROM: Lynn Kunzler, Senior Reclamation Specialist 

SUBJECT: Surety Escalation for Task #3309, Jimmy Hodges, Wah Wah Mine, S/021/0031, Iron County, Utah

On December 22, 2009, the Division requested Mr. Hodges increase his reclamation surety for the Wah Wah mine, due to a periodic plan review and using the 'average cost per acre' to determine the amount of surety needed. Subsequently Mr. Hodges requested an extension to submit the increased surety, and finally decided to reclaim the site.

As per written communication with the BLM, an inspection last October found that most of the reclamation work had been done. The only remaining tasks were removal of the gate and signs, and dragging the old trees/brush back across the access road. The current surety amount of \$6,000 is considered adequate to complete these tasks.

I therefore recommend that we close task #3309, since we no longer need the increase in surety.

*Lynn - Please close
per Lynn's
recommendation -
we will probably
be having a
new task to
require
reclamation*

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